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- 1. JUST RELEASED FIGURES SHOW RATE OF INFLATION IN IRAN CONTINUES TO RISE. FOR THIRD MONTH OF IRANIAN YEAR (MAY 22 JUNE 22), URBAN AREAS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ROSE BY 1.1 PERCENT OVER PREVIOUS MONTH AND 17.6 PERCENT ABOVE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR. MORE DISCOURAGING WAS INCREASE IN WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF 2.8 PERCENT DURING MONTH. ONLY BRIGHT ASPECT WAS SLOWER RATE OF INCREASE (0.7 PERCENT) IN FOOD PRICES THAN AVERAGE RISE IN CONSUMER PRICES.
- 2. GOI REMAINS CONCERNED BUT IS NO BETTER EQUIPPED TO COPE WITH INFLATIONARY PRESSURES THAN OTHER COUNTRIES. SOME KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCES ARE TALKING ABOUT "REAL" RATE OF INFLATION OF 20-25 PERCENT THIS YEAR. HELMS

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